

JUNE 12, 2012

PRESENT: Mayor Eric Christensen
Council Members: Earl Beattie, Kurt Russell, Stacy Pascoe, and Jeff Kelley
Police Chief: Rod Mohler
Public Wks Dir: Chuck Lloyd
Recreation Dir.: Dawn Lloyd
City Clerk: Sandy Gaydusek
City Attorney: B.J. Driscoll

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dakota Morgan

PRAYER: Kurt Russell

Earl moved, Kurt seconded to approve the following consent agenda:

Minutes of May 22, 2012 Council Meeting
Minutes of May 23, 2012 Joint Special Meeting
May 2012 Overall Budget & Treasurer's Rpt.
May 2012 Expenditures
Building Permits:
Jamie Peterson - fence
Trent Dye - new home
Cam Hulse - sign

A roll call vote was called for: Earl – aye, Jeff – aye, Stacy – aye, and Kurt – aye. Approved unanimously.

Earl moved, Jeff seconded to approve the following Business Licenses:

Madrigales - General Business License
Lorena Zamora - General Business License

Approved unanimously.

Earl moved, Kurt seconded to approve a Beer License (consumed on premises) for Madrigales. Approved unanimously.

Stacy moved, Jeff seconded to approve the following Fireworks Permits:

Family Fun – 510 S. State St.
TNT – 570 S. State St.
Kings – 600 N. State St.

Approved unanimously.

Rod said for the last several months the Police Department has been experiencing problems with their Computer Arts program that links them with the County and State. He said he thought the problem was due to the Arts software, but it was not. Our router system is not commercial grade, it was basically for home use when it was installed many years ago. He said he believes the last upgrade to the telephone system was too much for the switch and router to handle. Rod presented some quotes from Computer Arts and their subcontractor, Twisted Technology. He said the new wiring will upgrade city hall and the police department so we can operate off of two separate lines; one for the phones and one for the computers. Rod said once the system has

been upgraded we can approach Bingham County about setting up emails with the County and having their server store the emails as public record to save the city the cost of a new server. Rod said the total cost for the wiring and the equipment is \$5782. The Council requested that Rod obtain at least one more bid for the wiring to review.

Sandy said she was reviewing the section of the ordinances regarding non-conforming uses and came across 10-11-4. She said she wasn't sure how to interpret the code and called BJ. BJ said this code section needs some clarification. The Council discussed the intent of the ordinance. Jeff said he felt this was written during the transition of an amendment or codification to the ordinances. Jeff suggested, and the Council agreed that this ordinance should be eliminated.

BJ also discussed ordinance 10-11-7 regarding non-conforming uses. He said once a special use permit is issued, the non-conforming use it was issued for becomes a conforming use indefinitely. BJ suggested that the Planning and Zoning Commission be made aware of this. However, a special use permit can have conditions placed on it.

Chuck discussed the sections of streets in the city that needs to be repaired. He said Center Street from Hanson to Byron Avenue is in need of repair, and Emerson from Center Street to Oak Street also needs repair. Chuck said he would like to do a Petromat Overlay. He said the life expectancy is about ten years, and he intends to seal coat the streets again next year. Chuck said he ran the camera down the sewer lines, and in both sections of road the sewer is in fair condition and could last ten to twelve years or more. Chuck said he obtained some estimates to repair the streets. H-K bid \$86,800 and Lott Construction bid \$96,982 for the Center Street Project. H-K bid \$99,304 and Lott Construction bid \$110,875 for the Emerson Project. Jeff suggested a schedule of streets that are in need of repair be created, and then look at when the budget can handle funding each street. Stacy felt the streets in the city need to be repaired or they will continue to get worse. Earl moved, Jeff seconded to expend each project out of the Street Replacement line item in the Street Fund at the lowest bid received by H-K in the amount of \$86,800 for the Center Street Project and \$99,303 for the Emerson Avenue Project this fiscal year. Approved unanimously.

BJ said he sent a memo to everyone regarding the research he and a colleague did concerning service animals. BJ said the city could amend the ordinance to exclude service animals regarding the number of animals a person can have, and we could add the definition of service animals. However, for practical purposes, this is already covered in the Police Department Policy Manual. The Council determined to leave the ordinance as is.

BJ said he emailed Scott hall regarding the exchange of city property with EIRWWA. He said Scott said he sent the documents to the EIRWWA Board members with his recommendations. BJ said he is waiting to hear back from the Board.

Sandy said at the next council meeting she will bring some information regarding the payroll budget for direction from the council regarding the 12-13 Fiscal Year Budget.

Chuck said the city will be opening bids for Well #5 at City Hall on June 14, 2012.

Jeff said he has been working with Roger Chase of Bingham County Economic Development trying to bring some new industries to the city. He said they are looking at what is plausible, but there are things still needing to be done. Jeff asked how the council feels about zone changes and committing Urban Renewal Funds TIF's) to help fund infrastructure for new businesses. He asked about possibly committing some ERUS to this purpose too. Stacy said he feels we need to do whatever is needed to help new businesses come into the community. He said this will help the economy; workers and consumers may buy gas, lunches, etc. Kurt and Earl felt the same. Jeff said the city may need to look at creating a new Tax Increment Financing District (TIF) to help with the needed infrastructure. He said if a new District is created, it is possible to borrow funds from the existing TIF too. He said the only other way is to get a bond or loan with interest. Jeff recommended working with the TIF's. The Council said they are open to these types of approaches, and everyone felt the common good of the community should be looked at.

Stacy asked what the procedure is to get street lights that are not working taken care of. Sandy said to call city hall and report the location of the light and we will send notice to Rocky Mountain Power via the Internet.

Earl said he will not be in attendance at the next council meeting.

Earl complimented each Department Head for their work efforts.

Adjourned: 8:59 p.m.

ATTEST: Sandy Lagusak APPROVE: Eric R. Chilton